Construction of hotels and hostels in NCT of Delhi for common-wealth games

†215. SHRIMATI KAMLA MANHAR: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the special arrangements being made for construction of hotels and hostels in National Capital Territory of Delhi for Commonwealth Games and to attract the tourists;

(b) the arrangements being made by the Ministry to mobilise financial sources in the next three years alongwith the amount provided by Central Government; and

(c) the progress made so for in this regard alongwith the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) to (c) The activity of construction of hotels in the country is undertaken by the private sector.

As allotment of Government land for creation of tourist infrastructure is a Statesubject. Delhi Development Authority has been requested to make available adequate number of sites for construction of hotels in Delhi to meet the demand of tourists for Commonwealth Games, etc.

Irregularities in the purchase of whisky by ITDC

216. SHRI DATTAMEGHE: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the India Tourism Development Corporation (ITDC) has noticed irregularities in the purchase of 20 thousand whisky bottles at inflated prices by some officers of the ITDC in 2003;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the action taken against the officers of the ITDC, found involved in the fraudulent deal:

(d) whether this case has since been referred to the CBI for investigation; and

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